



Woonona East Public School

Week 8, Term 1, 2019

From The Principal:

Dear Parents and Carers,

Stewart House Envelopes

Like every year, we have Stewart House envelopes going home with all students today. These envelopes are for a gold coin donation to assist with the funding for the program. Stewart House provides a safe haven for a twelve day stay for 1700 public school children. During their stay, they are provided with dental, optical, hearing and medical screening. Students selected for the program are chosen because they are going through a challenging time in their lives, which may be the loss of a close family member or a severe change to their current circumstances. If you make a donation, you go in the draw to win a \$4000 holiday. Further details are on the envelope. Thank you in advance for supporting such a worthy cause.

Creative Kids Voucher

As a follow on from the Active Kids Voucher introduced last year, the NSW Government is now offering a Creative Kids Voucher. It has a value of up to \$100 per calendar year for each student aged four and a half years to 18 years who is enrolled in school. To be eligible, the child needs to have a current Medicare card. The voucher can be used with a registered activity for participation and tuition expenses related to creative arts, speech, drama, dance, digital design, coding and music lessons. For further information, please visit bit.ly/creative-kids-rebate

Early Birds Gardening Team

Last week we advertised our Early Birds Gardening Team on Facebook. We are currently looking at different options for that group, including a lunch session if we don't have parents who wish to run it before school. We are also looking at specific parts of our school that the group can work on as we are so lucky to have such a large range of beautiful gardens (which keep Mrs Hall and Mr Potter very busy). We also are so excited to have our new veggie garden going in near the hall at the end of this term, which will be able to be used at the start of Term 2. For this reason, we won't have Early Birds run until such details have been locked in. If you are willing to help by assisting our Early Birds group, please contact me through the school office on 42 841472.

School Assembly - Week 9 - 1/2 S Class Item

Our last whole school assembly was fantastic with so many students getting up on stage to accept their swimming carnival ribbons. We are now looking forward to having various classes getting up on stage and giving a performance/presentation. Up first, in Week 9, is 1/2S. We look forward to seeing what they have in store for us!



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Parent Teacher Interviews

In Weeks 10 and 11 of this term, our teachers will be holding parent/teacher interviews for all students. You will receive a note about these interviews in the next week. I warmly encourage all of you to prioritise these meetings as they are vital in ensuring that teachers and parents/carers are on the same page in regards to each child's academic, social and emotional strengths and areas for further development. Your students have engaged in ongoing assessment throughout the term and your child's classroom teacher will be able to share this information with you. This will mean there will be no surprises in the Semester 1 reports that go home at the end of Term 2.

P&C Fundraising

This weekend, we have the State Election BBQ and need helpers to assist from 8:00am until 2:00pm. The shifts are two hours in length. Please see the advertisement on the P&C page in this newsletter for more information. The WEPS Easter Raffle is also another P&C fundraiser fast approaching. The P&C are asking for all donations of either Easter eggs or chocolate could be given to the office by Monday 8th April. The raffle will be drawn at our Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 11th April.

Harmony Day

This Thursday, our school will be celebrating Harmony Day. This is the 20th year that Harmony Day/Week has been celebrated in Department of Education schools. Harmony Week is a time to celebrate multiculturalism and the successful integration of migrants into our community. As Australians, we have the privilege of living in a multicultural country that is so rich in various cultural and linguistic backgrounds. As a school, we are focusing on our values of respect and responsibility, as we respect all Australians, embrace and celebrate our differences and have a responsibility to be united by our core Australian values. We ask that the students wear orange on Thursday as it signifies social communication and meaningful conversations.

I hope you all have a wonderful fortnight,

Ms Emily Corcoran.

What's Coming Up?

<u>Week 8</u>	<u>Week 9</u>	<u>Week 10</u>
Tues 19th Mar: P&C Meeting at 7:00pm in the staff room Wed 20th Mar: Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) meeting at Woonona Public School Thurs 21st Mar: Harmony Day – students wear orange Kindergarten Vision Testing Sat 23rd Mar: State Election BBQ	Mon 25th Mar: Easter Raffle begins today Tues 26th Mar: Year 3 NAPLAN Practice/Readiness Test Thurs 28th Mar: Whole school assembly – 1/2S class item	Mon 1st Apr: Parent-Teacher Interviews start today Thurs 4th April: Big Veggie Crunch Day WEPS Cross Country Fri 5th Apr: Stage 2 Camp Adventure Day



SPORTS NEWS FROM MR CUMMINS:

Congratulations to the following students who have attended District or Zone or Regional trials and have been chosen to represent at the next level:

Basketball (next trial, State, Tuesday 9 May, Maitland)

Brody McPhee

Swimming (next trial, State, Thursday 11 April, Sydney)

Megan Skinner

Football (next trial, Regional, Thursday 4 April, Kanahooka)

Taj Demito

Rugby League (next trial, Zone, Thursday 28 March)

Harry Sargent-Wilson

Ben Fletcher

Jackson Gill

AFL (next trial, Regional, Friday 29 March, Bateman's Bay. Wrong date last time)

Brody McPhee

Riley Keith

Ben Fletcher

Congratulations to all Woonona East students who have attended trials. They have all represented our school in a commendable manner and drawn favourable comments from teachers from other schools about their sportsmanship and overall behaviour.





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P & C NEWS:



WEPS will be running a BBQ at School for the State Election on the 23rd March.

Help is needed 8am to 2pm approx.

Otherwise donations would be greatly appreciated by Tuesday 19th March of the following;

- * Foil Trays
- * Spray oil
- * Paper Towel
- * Napkins
- * Cans of Coke, Coke Zero, and Fanta.

These can be left at the Front Office.



Fundraising BBQ

Shifts are roughly:

8am to 10am -

10am to 12pm -

12pm to 2pm -

**Please see Roxy if you can help,
call or message me 0417 491155**



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2019 Easter Raffle

Donation Request

This year for the Easter Raffle, we are asking for a donation of Eggs / Chocolate from each family to contribute towards the prizes for the Easter Raffle.

If donations and raffle tickets could please be returned to the office by Monday the 8th April. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade, Thursday 11th April.

There will also be a colouring competition for each Stage.

Entries will need to be handed in to the classroom or office also by Tuesday 9th April.

Thank you for your ongoing support, WEPS P&C.





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CANTEEN NEWS:

Woonona East Primary School Canteen Roster 2019- Term 1

WEEK	DATE	MONDAY	TUESDAY (9-2pm)	WEDNESDAY (9-2pm)	THURSDAY (9-2pm)	FRIDAY (1-2pm)
1	28th Jan -1st Feb	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
2	4th Feb- 8th Feb	Closed	Jackie R	Kate R	Corey C	Nicole A
3	11th Feb- 15th Feb	Closed		Jackie R (Sushi Day)	Christie M	Naomi G/Anna S
4	18th Feb-22nd Feb	Closed	Olga H	Carla W/Roxanne M	Amanda D/Nicky Lett	Cassie B/Deana M
5	25th Feb-1st March	Closed	Glynis N/Ashley T	Michelle F& Leasa L	Corey C	Simone B
6	4th March-8th March	Closed	Roxanne M	Kate R	Jackie R & Mei S (Smoothie Day)	Ben L
7	11th March-15th March	Closed	Michelle F & Leasa L	Lisa w	Dayna S/Jackie R	Nicole A
8	18th March-22nd March	Closed	Corey C	Carla W/Jackie R (Burrito Bowl Day)	Glynis N	Naomi G
9	25th March-29th March	Closed	Olga H	Kate R	Lisa W	Simone B
10	1st April-5th April	Closed	Roxanne M/Ashley T	Gayle T/Jackie R (Sushi Day)	Christie M	Ben L
11	8th April-12th April	Closed	Glynis N/Roxanne M	Jen G	Corey C	Cassie/deana M





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*National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence:
Look at what Stage 2 have been up to!*



is it
BULLYING?

When someone says or does something
unintentionally hurtful
and they do it once, that's
RUDE.

When someone says or does something
intentionally hurtful
and they do it once, that's
MEAN.

When someone says or does something
intentionally hurtful and they *keep doing it*—
even when you tell them to stop or show
them that you're upset—that's
BULLYING.



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Week 6 Assembly:

